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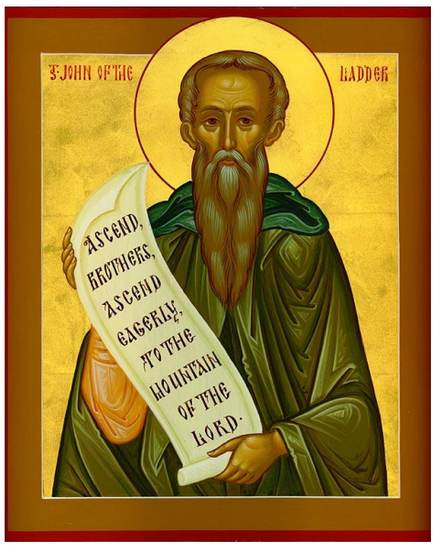
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Sunday, April 14th, 2024



Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast

Saint John Climacus

Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great/ Choir Sunday
9:00 am
Sunday School - 10:20 am

Resurrection Tone 4

Tropar & Kondak: pages 90 & 183-184

Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20

Gospel: Mark 9:17-31

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Services for the week of April 14th

Mon. 4/15 … +Mother Susan and +Father Andrew Korinko offered by Pani Emily Molchany; +Bishop Methodios Kanchuha; and Xenia Repiscak offered by Mary Maka – Parastas….8:00 am

Tue. 4/16 … +Anna Gergel; +Mary Nemchik; +Stella Matola; +Mary and Michael Burcha, +Joseph Bearjar, and +Helen Krett offered by Edward and Rita Hanechak - Parastas……8:00 am

Wed. 4/17 … +Anna Patchen offered by John Patchen; and +Peter and Helen offered by John Kuzovich; +George and Helen Pazuchanics; (Perpetual) – Parastas……8:00 am

Canon of St. Andrew of Crete……6:00 pm

Thur. 4/18…+Helen and Vasil Chopey offered by Anna Smider; and +Fr Peter Palinchak (Perpetual) – Parastas……..8:00 am

Fri. 4/19… ***Presanctified Liturgy……6:00 pm***

Sat. 4/20 … Great Vespers ……6:00 pm

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BIBLE STUDY- Tuesday, April 16th @ 6:30 pm

Choir Practice Wednesday, April 17th after Lenten service

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Sunday, April 21st, 2024

Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast

Saint Mary of Egypt

Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great - 9 am
Sunday School - 10:20 am

Panachida for ***+Michael Pysh*** (24th Anniversary) offered by Dave and Melanie Dudak;
+Anna Fedornock offered by Fedornock family;
+Julia Hamilla; +Simon Lazarak offered by Anna Lazarak; and ***+John Dzura Jr., +Anna Dzura, +Katherine Rogel, and +Dorothy Jean Neff*** offered by Pani Kathy Buczak

Resurrection Tone 5 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 93 & 185-186
Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14 Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

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Services for the week of April 21st

Mon. 4/22 … +Departed members of the Yurcisin and Popovich families offered by Ann Melanie Yurcisin; John Yech Sr., Michael, John Jr. and Mary offered by Mary Yech (Perpetual)….8:00 am

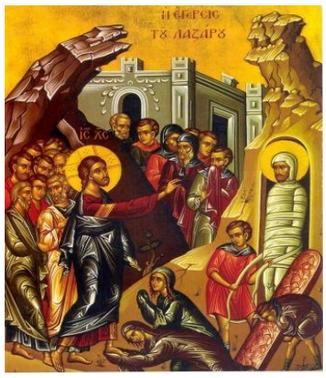
Tue. 4/23 … +Anna C. Smider; and
+Andrew Mikojay offered by Phyllis Mikolaj and family (Perpetual)…8:00 am

Wed. 4/24 … ***Presanctified Liturgy……6:00 pm***

Thur. 4/25 … +Stephen Kassander, and +Anna and Paul Csubar (Perpetual)……8:00 am

Fri. 4/26 … ***Presanctified Liturgy……6:00 pm***

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Saturday, April 27th, 2024

Lazarus Saturday

Divine Liturgy - 9:00 am

Tropar & Kondak: Pages 186-187
Epistle: Hebrews 12:28-29; 13:1-8
Gospel: John 11:1-45

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BIRTHDAY PRAYERS – ***Ed Sakmar (4/14), Jim Kobal (4/15), Drake Thomas Billetdeaux (4/16), Stella Nitkulinec (4/18), and Alec Miller (4/21).*** You were remembered in Proskomedia!

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CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Father Robert will hear confessions before and after every Lenten Service until Holy Friday and before and after the Divine Liturgies until Palm Sunday. If this does not suit your schedule, Father will be happy to hear your confession anytime by appointment. DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST DAY!

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A.C.R.Y. LENTEN SOUP/FOOD SALE

Our A.C.R.Y. is having a Lenten Soup/Food Sale. The soup and foods are made by our members, and will be sold on Sundays after Divine Liturgy in the church auditorium beginning Sunday, March 24th thru Sunday, April 28th. The price is $8.00 a quart.
Any member (or non-member) wishing to make and donate your Lenten Recipe, please use the sign-up sheet in the church auditorium, or contact Rose Ann DeCoske at 717-925-9041.

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LENTEN MISSIONS

Saint John the Baptist in Hawk Run will host on Sunday April 14 at 4:00 pm

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LENTEN DINNER - After Presanctified Liturgy

Please bring a fasting side dish to be shared. Please see Christina Sakmar for any details. The dinner will be held ***Friday April 19th*** following Presanctified Liturgy.

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CENTRAL REGION DIOCESAN LENTEN RETREAT

All are invited and encouraged to attend the Diocesan Lenten Retreat held Saturday, ***April 20, 2024*** from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm at Saint Nicholas Orthodox Church; 903 Ann Street; Homestead, Pa. 15120. A free-will offering will be taken.

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A.C.R.Y. EMERGENCY HEALTH KIT DRIVE

INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES

As a Lenten Project, our local ACRY Chapter has set of goal of assembling 100 Health Kits and would like your help. Please consider assembling one or two kits and bring them to the Cathedral Auditorium where a collection box will await your gift. **Please assemble as directed per instructions.** God Bless you for your help.

LAST DAY TO BRING YOUR KITS FOR COLLECTION

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SELECTIONS FROM THE LADDER OF DIVINE ASCENT

STEP 1: ON RENUNCIATION OF THE WORLD

#3. God belongs to all free beings. He is the life of all, the salvation of all – faithful and unfaithful, just and unjust, pious and impious, passionate and dispassionate, monks and laymen, wise and simple, healthy and sick, young and old – just as the effusion of light, the sight of the sun, and the changes of the season are for all alike; "for there is no respect of special persons with God."

#4. The irreligious man is a mortal being with a rational nature, who of his own free will turns his back on life and thinks his own Maker, the Ever-Existent, as non-existent. The transgressor is one who holds the law of God after his own depraved fashion, and thinks to combine faith in God with heresy that is directly opposed to Him. The Christian is one who imitates Christ in thought, word and deed, as far as is possible for human beings, believing rightly and blamelessly in the Holy Trinity. The lover of God is he who lives in communion with all that is natural and sinless, and as far as he is able neglects nothing good. The content man is one who lives in the midst of temptation, snares, and turmoil, and who is eager to imitate with all his might those who are free from turmoil.

#15. Let us eagerly run our course as men called by our God and King, lest, since our time is short, we be found in the day of our death without fruit and perish of hunger. Let us please the Lord as soldiers please their kin; because we are required to give an exact account of our service after the campaign. Let us fear the Lord not less than we fear beasts. For I have seen men who were going to steal and were not afraid of God, but, hearing the barking dogs, they at once turned back; and what the fear of God could not achieve was done by the fear of animals. Let us love God at least as much as we respect our friends. For I have often seen people who had offended God and were not in the least perturbed about it. And I have seen how those same people provoked by their friends in some trifling matter, and then employ every artifice, every device, every sacrifice, every apology, both personally and through friends and relatives, not sparing gifts, in order to regain their former love.

#16. In the very beginning of our renunciation of the world, it is certainly with labor and grief that we practice the virtues. But when we have made progress in them, we no longer feel sorrow, or we feel little sorrow. But soon our mortal mind is consumed and mastered by our zeal, we practice them with all joy and eagerness, with love and divine fire.

#27. So who is the faithful and wise man? He who has kept his fervour unabated, and to the end of his life has not ceased daily to add fire to fire, fervour to fervour, zeal to zeal, love to love.

THIS IS THE FIRST STEP - LET HIM WHO HAS MOUNTED IT NOT TURN BACK

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PRAYER CHAIN

Thomas Buczak
Cindy LaBarr
Steve Martyak
Veronica Buczak
Michael Sakmar
Joseph Muchesko
Roberta Kovalik
Kira Pronin
Alexxa Lowery
Romayne Laichak
Zachary Rogina
Ron Kuzmyak
Paul Kalcik
Henry Laichak
Ronald Kmet
Barry Gilchrist
Robert Janeway
Andy Walls
Eva Zeleniak-Whitak
Malcolm Barnes
Ann Koehnlein
Larry Eisenhauer

Judith Rowlands
Angeline Komara
Arianna Risso
Charlie Erisman
Rachael Costlow
Marshall Rosenow
Shirley Mazurak
Donna Babble
Richard Barnes
Lloyd Broadwater
Nick Timko
Erin Demich
Mary Ann Muchesko
Joella Hamlin
Donna Martyak
Michaela Miller
Arianna Jade Miller
Taylor Miller
Jennifer Gardenhour
Valentina and Olga Yaremenko
Steve Prieber
Aberdeen Rudge

Pat Hanuska
Dwight Nugle
Rose and Terry Fyock
Rosalia Horner
Beverly Mayo
Al Kuzmyak
Michael Paul Gost
Brooklyn Balamuto
Matushka Helen Jasiukowicz
Joanne Democko
Robert and Barbara Stokes
Marcia Matthews
Jolene McClain
Georgene Coulter
Tanya Britan
Frank Porembka
Daniel Porembka
Dr. Rose Ann Jordan
Demetra Mavrophilipos
Rose Conjelko
Cindy Birth
Roger Zankey

Jess Ambrose
Paul Kalinyak
John Rosiak
Louis Pocchiari
Ed and Christine Sakmar
Julie Locher
Denise Stroud
Brianna Thompson
Elijah Groff
Lisa Shaffer
Stephen Machik
Aniee Himes
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Matthew Hanak
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Dorothy and Kathy Bayconish
Nicholas and Carole Blitva

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Jackson Enhro
Lisa Luterman
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Kristo Burkett
Amanda May
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Michael and MaryAnn Savering
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